

# Turkish Women Demand Erdogan Rejoin Treaty Against Domestic Abuse

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In mid-March, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan announced that Turkey would be withdrawing from the Istanbul Convention, a Council of Europe treaty against domestic abuse of women. The other European signatories were all said to be “stunned” or “appalled” or “amazed” at this move, but if they had looked into the status and treatment of women in Islam, they would not have been surprised at Turkey’s withdrawal from the treaty, but only at its having joined the treaty in the first place. The initial Jihad Watch report on the withdrawal is [here](#). And a report on the protest by Turkish women against Turkey’s withdrawal is here: “Turkish Women Protest Over Erdogan’s Decision to Exit Domestic Violence Treaty,” [Jihad Watch](#).